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AUGUST

Let us know whether or not to continue with a monthly quiz or do you read the TNA NEWS?

5th REMEMBER - The of September is the deadline for the October issue.

COL. CHARLES A. WINGO

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The display cases purchased by your TNA have been put in first class condition after the April convention and are now stored in a Dallas warehouse. Those bought with funds donated by clubs and individuals have had small metal plates affixed to them bearing the name of the donor. Other funds used for the purchase included amounts of less than $25 contributed by clubs and members, and money received in payment for the auction privilege at our recent convention in Dallas.

These cases are now available for use by TNA clubs and members under conditions which are considered necessary to protect our investment, insure proper use and maintenance, and to provide for payment of the costs of storage, handling, and shipping by the warehouse.

The rental cost will be $2 for each case plus the freight cost both ways. Each case weighs approximately 22 pounds. An additional charge of $15 will be made for each broken glass (the approximate cost of replacement.)

Although it is unlikely that the rental of less than 50 cases would be practicable, as few as ten cases may be requested. Cases may be retained for use for a maximum of ten days at the $2 rate, but should be returned promptly when they have served their purpose.

Individual TNA members may request cases only if they are for their own personal use. For example, a member may request 10 or more cases for his use in displaying numismatic items during National Coin Week, but he may not rent cases to be used by a non-member coin club, or other organization.

Application for cases, giving full details regarding where, when and for what purpose they are needed, and the number required, should be forwarded to Thomas C. Bain, 3717 Marquette Drive, Dallas, Tex. 75225. The application must be signed by the TNA member, or appropriate officer of the TNA club, responsible for the handling and payment of charges.

Our association still needs at least 65 additional cases so that we will have enough for our annual convention without having to rent them from others. It is planned that all auction money will go into our case fund until we have been able to purchase the required number of cases and storage covers. Contributions to this fund are still earnestly solicited and $25 will get the donor's name on the case.

Although "display cases" has used up all of my allotted space, I cannot close this message without expressing thanks in the name of the TNA membership to Tom Bain, our convention coordinator, who was the motivating force behind our display case project; to Lyman Bartee who

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LATIN AMERICAN NUMISMATICS

BY: BRENT BROWN
Curator Of Numismatics, Strecker Museum, Baylor University
WACO, TEXAS

NUMISMATIC CHRONOLOGY - ARGENTINA

Brent Brown

This month we continue the series of numismatic chronologies of Latin America. We now turn our attention to the numismatic events of the independent republics. Readers should refer to the September 1974 issue of the TNA NEWS for the chronology of colonial Latin America.

1516—Coast of Argentina discovered by Juan Dias Solis.

1580—Permanent Spanish Colony established at Buenos Aires.

1776—Viceroyalty of La Plata, of which Argentina was a part, is established.

1813-1815—Coinage for the "PROVINCIAS DEL RIO DE LA PLATA"

2 Reales STRUCK AT BUENOS AIRES

1/8 Real Province of Mendoza

struck at the Potosi mint in Bolivia.

1813-1845—All gold coins struck by the province of Argentina are 0.875 fine.

1816—Independence from Spain finally secured.

1813-1881—Coins struck in the provinces, coins minted in the other South American Republics, tokens and barter items freely and legally circulate as money. Monetary systems are based on the Spanish real-escudo system.

1821—Mint at Tucuman strikes coins for only 1 year.

1821—Mint established at La Rioja (R and RA mintmarks used).

1821-1860—Provincial coinage struck in the Provinces of Cordoba, Buenos Aires, Santiago de Estero, Tecman, Salta, and La Rioja.

1822—Mint established at Mendoza; coins first struck the following year.

1822-1823—Birmingham, England, mint strikes coins for the province of Buenos Aires.

1823—Mint at Santiago del Estero established.

1826—Englishman John Miers establishes the mint at Buenos Aires with equipment brought from England. Coins were first struck the following year.

1827-1828—Mint at Buenos Aires strikes circulating coinage for the Banco Nacional de Buenos Aires.

1831—Mint at Buenos Aires strikes circulating coinage for the Banco Nacional de Buenos Aires

1833—Mint at Cordoba strikes coins.

1853—The new national constitution

written in this year states that the right to issue coinage belongs exclusively to the Federal government. All provinces ignore this decree.

1854—National coinage for the "Confederacion Argentina" is struck in Europe.

1867—The Italian craftsman D. Pablo Cataldi strikes 1/2 real coins at the Palacio San Jose at Caseros in the province of Entre Rios. These pieces were issued under the orders of General D. Justo Jose de Urquiza who held land in Entre Rios as a base for the siege of territory in Uruguay.

1874—Coins struck at an unknown European mint for circulation in Araucania and Patagonia provinces are carried to Argentina by the Frenchman Aurelio Antonio de Touners. He had plans of conquering the provinces and creating a "New France." These pieces never circulated and the Frenchman's efforts were rapidly crushed.

1877—Public Law #79 of that year officially names Buenos Aires the national mint and plans are begun to produce national coinage.

1880—The mint at Buenos Aires strikes circulating coinage for the Banco Nacional de Buenos Aires.

1881—Public Law #1130, dated November 5, 1881, nationalizes all coinage. The mint at Buenos Aires is again named the only official mint and it is put in full production.

1881—A new national monetary system is established. The nation moves from the real-escudo system to a system based on a gold peso with a gold content of 1.6129 grams. The par value of the gold peso is fixed at 96.48 U.S. cents.

1881—Ten, 20 and 50 centavo coins first struck. One peso, 1/2 and 1 Argentino gold coins are issued.

1882—Copper 1 and 2 centavos first issued.

1889—Julio Popper strikes an unauthorized issue of gold coins at El Paramo in Tierra del Fuego.

1895—First national paper money issued.

1896—Five centavos first issued.

1897—The 1895 issues of paper money are revalidated under the Law of September 20, 1897. A new paper money issue is authorized.

1914—National gold standard is suspended.

1927—Gold standard reestablished.

1935—Public Law #12155 of March 28 establishes the Central Bank of Argentina.

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BC COINS

New bicentennial half dollars—with the dates 1776-1976—went into circulation in early July through the Federal Reserve Banks.

The obverse has the same likeness of Kennedy but the dates read 1776-1976. The reverse bears a new design—Independence Hall in Philadelphia. The new dollar and quarter will be released later in the year.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE —
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used his special fund-raising talent so successfully; and to the many individuals and clubs who have made, or plan to make, a financial contribution to this very important project.

TEXAS TOKEN TOPICS

Interesting - Unusual

BY: JAMES L. RUHLAND
Vidor, Texas

LONE STAR PINE

In 1908 the Thompson Lumber Companies advertised under the registered trade mark of "Lone Star Pine The Oldest Lumber Company in Texas." They well deserved this title, because in 1908 the Thompsons had already been in the lumber business in Texas for 56 years.

Unfortunately, the Thompson Companies didn't last too much longer. They seemed to have got "caught up" in over expansion and troubled financial times around 1912.

During the time around 1908 the Thompsons were operating mills at four locations. Their oldest company was the Thompson and Tucker Lumber Co. of New Williard. This company was organized in 1865 when Henry Tucker became associated with Benjamin Thompson. At this time (1865) they were operating a mill in Rusk County. The other three mills that they were operating in 1908 were Thompson Brothers Lumber Co. at Doucette, J. N. Thompson Lumber Co. at Trinity and the Thompson and Ford Lumber Co. at Greyburg.

At New Williard the Thompson and Tucker Lumber Company used bimetal tokens made by the Childs Mfg. Co. of Chicago. The tokens that were used at Doucette and Trinity were aluminum time checks. The Doucette tokens were signed by J. L. Thompson who was president of the Thompson Brothers Lumber Co. The Trinity tokens were signed by H. H. "Hoxie" Thompson who was the secretary-treasurer of the J. N. Thompson Lumber Co.

Time checks were used in place of regular tokens by some of the lumber companies to get around laws that required all wages should be due and payable in the lawful money of the United States. In 1910 another law was passed declaring it unlawful for any corporation or person to issue any ticket, check or token obligatory to any employee redeemable only in goods or merchandise. These laws were challenged in the courts and declared unconstitutional, but they must have left some impact on the Thompsons as they made no mention of money or merchandise on their time checks that were used at either Doucette or Trinity.

If tokens were issued by the Thompson and Ford Lumber Co. at Grayburg I have never been able to determine. If they didn't use some form of tokens to pay their wages

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● Our Tenth Anniversary Auction (1971) - Worldwide coins, medals, tokens, and paper money, including a number of Latin American rarities.

● The King Farouk of Egypt Collection of Banknotes accompanied by a second volume of choice and rare coins, medals, and tokens of the world.

● The largest and most diversified numismatic sale on record was the 5001 Lots of selected coins, medals, and rare currency of the world including the Robert Gordon collection of European medals related to the Americas, which was at one time owned by Medina, but consigned to us by Robert Gordon.

★ SOME OF THE PRICES WE HAVE OBTAINED: We can guarantee top prices for extremely rare material. Some examples are:

● The three Mexico 3 Real pieces of Carlos and Johanna, which realized $15,600 in our King Farouk Sale - Part II.

● $1,950 was obtained for a silver medal featuring on the obverse George III and on the reverse two rampant lions. This medal commemorates the determination of England to continue the war with America to the bitter end. Nevertheless, independence came a year later. (Betts #584, Medina #164)

● In our 5001 - lot sale, $3,300 was obtained for a Costa Rica 8 Reales 1831 with assayer "E".

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DEAR MOM - By Richard E. Bonilla Houston, Texas

Dear Mom,

R. E. BONILLA

Isn't it amazing how smart I have gotten in the last couple of years? Why, two years ago I thought that an ancient collector was anyone over 35.

Would you believe that I thought that a gold collector was someone who worked for the Internal Revenue Service? Heck, I was so innocent that I thought an error collector was somebody walking around all the time with his foot in his mouth.

Mom, I willl not tell you what I thought a bar collector collected, but I will admit to thinking that the Franklin Mint was in charge of striking Franklin halves. I was so dumb that if anyone told me that there was a Spearmint striking coins for the Republic of Spear, I would have believed it.

But that is all changed now. Now I no longer believe that the Numismatic Press is a dry-cleaning establishment. True, some of the advertisers will take you to the cleaners if you don't watch them, but at least now I know that a type collector is not that type of a collector. Also, nobody can fool me anymore by telling me that Gasparro, Saint-Gaudens, Gobrecht and McNeil are a firm of Philadelphia lawyers.

I am sure that you are curious as to what I attribute all my wealth of knowledge. Quite simple: I have discovered the TNA Memorial Library.

Is your yoga instructor a royalty freak? Read "Kings, Rulers & Statesmen" (W-9) by L. F. Wise & E. W. Egan and impress him with your perspicacity. Do you feel ill at ease when socializing with your Dutch-born boss wife? Check out O. P. Ecklund's "Charity Tokens of the Netherlands" (E-3p) and offer to catalog her family's coin collection. Does your friendly neighborhood banker make you feel like you have ring around the collar each time you visit your safety deposit box? A quick dip with "Our American Coins", issued by the U.S. Treasury Department, (U-6p), will tell you more than he will ever know about the bread that he handles.

Mom, it's fantastic! Do you want a good grade in your history paper? Quote from Waco Brent Brown's "A Guidebook to the Mints of Latin America" (B-25p), and teacher will flip over your expertise on mint locations, metals, years of operation, values, etc. And you are sure to be a hit at your next pajama party if you discuss Evans E. Kerrigan's "American War Medals and Decorations" (K-14). Do you want to improve your languages? Ask for Jose de Yrarte's "Catalogo de los Reales de a Ocho Espanoles" (Y-4), it's in Spanish. And for a real conversation stopper: the next time a cop stops you for speeding, tell him that you are rushing home to finish Hewett Bros' "How to Read Greek Coins" (H-11p). If he is a coin collector he may even escort you home.

How do you get your hands on this

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(In coming months we will he publishing articles by the late Brad Mills of Dallas. These articles were prepared before his untimely death.)

COIN BUYING CAUTION URGED

By The Late
BRAD MILLS

Increased activity in all phases of coin collecting has spawned a corresponding increase in firms and individuals offering to buy, sell and trade numismatic items in demand.

Such a bursting out of merchandising has been only natural in an expanding hobby, and the total effort has included opening of full time stores, part time mail transactions, through advertising in newspapers and magazines, and the so-called "hip pocket" dealers who frequent bourses and make the rounds of known collectors.

In most instances, these new businesses are reliable and financially sound. The temptation to overgrade is a tendency difficult to avoid by sellers in all categories, although the postal and civil laws are supposed to protect the purchaser of items not up to standard.

A few large coin firms have gone into receivership or bankruptcy after presumably over-extending credit or merely using poor judgment. Where such dealers have orders on hand to fill, purchasers may be caught in a squeeze that involves extended litigation or ultimate loss of money.

Acquisition by mail is a thoroughly accepted method of purchasing coins, but some knowledge of the stability of the seller should be known before remitting large sums of money with initial orders.

There are many possible fields of misunderstanding between buyer and seller, although they may be marginal or even optional in nature where either party is inclined to fudge a bit. In all fairness to the dealer, it should be emphasized that the buyer is not always correct in his complaints. The seller also has his rights.

Purchasers of coins over the counter from dealers see what they are getting, but adjustments may be sought at some later date. Even an expert seller or buyer of coins can be fooled in the field of counterfeits, copies and the like, a fact that may make adjustments necessary.

Delayed arguments over the uncirculated, cleaned or damaged condition of coins are frequent, and especially so with beginners.

Coins offered for sale by mail at bargain prices may not be bargains at all. They may prove to be overgraded or substandard in some way, although some small dealers with low overhead may be able to offer unusual values. Coins also may be undervalued by sellers who are not competent to place full appraisals on their own merchandise.

The volume of coins sold by mail is enormous and, on the whole, this is a satisfactory method of buying and selling numismatic items. Most dealers, of necessity, are honest and offer return privileges for material unacceptable to the buyer.

Local coin stores, however, provide an opportunity to see items before actual delivery. Many of the larger mail order specialists carry larger and more varied stocks than local dealers, although some of the largest establishments operate both stores and mail departments.

Buying and selling back and forth between collectors also is big business on a strictly hobby basis.

There are three or four distinct

types of coin collectors, ranging from the serious minded, puritanical numismatist to the rank speculator who is not above wheeling and dealing to make money from the total effort.

At the moment, the silver and gold hysteria has had a profound influence on the hobby as it relates to investment and speculation, but the basic coin collector is still around with the avowed intention to acquire material having genuine future appeal.

Rarity remains the driving force behind the purchase plan of many wealthy collectors who feel that an acute shortage of certain issues can only increase the demand for them as speculators gradually fade away.

The Treasury has noted a growing number of parents and grandparents in the ordering ranks for such special issues as proof sets, uncirculated sets and medals. It is generally held that these older buyers are acquiring special premium coins for inclusion in estates or outright gifts to the younger generation.

Frequently such purchases start the new owners into the coin collecting ranks and generate a wide interest in the hobby. The Carson City dollar sales stimulated interest in all phases of coin collecting, although these coins were distributed at rather high premiums above bullion value.

Many citizens did not know until these dollar sales were held that the Treasury Dept. could legally distribute coins at prices above face value. However, this has been done right along in the case of proof sets and special issues of various kinds.

The speculator and the hoarder are close relatives, and in many instances would be one and the same. He puts back easily acquired coins in large quantities, hoping and probably believing they will soon be in scarce supply. There is no law against such a practice in a free society, but the hoarder does not always pick a winner.

Most of the uncirculated coins in rolls will increase in value gradually if held long enough. However, a period of 20 years may be required to realize an appreciable return on an investment of this kind. The genuinely scarce rolls acquired 20 to 30 years ago now have become of considerable value, since they probably carried a small premium even at the time of coinage. In this kind of situation selectivity is the answer.

Many collectors feel that only coins should be discussed in this column. The basic subjects of gold, silver and metals in general are held to be out of bounds. However, a surprisingly large number of readers are interested in the relationship of gold and silver to coins in general.

This is primarily a fact because there are so many holders of gold and silver coins in this country. It is true that a large part of the current purchasers of coins in gold and silver should be classed in the speculating ranks, but what is wrong with that?

We see no firm evidence now that these two metals will either go up or down sharply from their present levels. But coins and metals have taken on a new relationship.

TEXAS TOKEN TOPICS —

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with they were probably the only lumber company in East Texas that didn't.

These different forms of tokens, time checks etc. were issued to employees as advances on wages due or on regular pay days and were redeemable only in the company store or commissary as it was more popularly known.

TEN QUESTIONS

Do you know the answers? Study the 10 questions, come up with the answers, let the editor know how you fared—and we'll print the answers in the September issue of the TNA NEWS, along with 10 more questions.

1. **Where are the mint marks found on the half cent?**
2. **How can the two mint marks of Denver, Colo., and Dahlonega, Ga. be distinguished since both are "D"?**
3. **Of what denomination was the Elephant Token?**
4. **What is an accolated coin? Give an example.**
5. **What coin was struck for a purpose and then the work never completed after the funds were appropriated?**
6. **What is an electrotype coin?**
7. **The 13 bars on the Bar Cent represents what?**
8. **A person reporting the number of 1849 $20 gold pieces minted would be correct if he said—1, 5, 12, 27, or 40?**
9. **There have been two commemorative quarters. What are they?**
10. **A 1944 5c piece without the letter "P" on the reverse is known as what?**

OLYMPIAD COINS

The Lincoln Mint and the government of Canada have banded together in issuing sterling silver coins in First Day postal covers celebrating the XXI Olympiad. The number of available sets will be limited to 15 000 and each set contains 20 coins on seven different themes: geography, Olympic motif, early Canadian sports, Olympic track and field, water sports, team and body contact sports, and Montreal Olympic sights. All coins will portray the portrait of Queen Elizabeth II.

from the librarian

TNA Memorial Library
Wally Gilmore
Box 74, Weslaco, Texas 78596

The library has had another nice donation from **The Maximilian Numismatic & Historical Society**—"The Beauty and Lore of Coins, Currency and Medals" by Elvira and Vladimar Clain-Stefanelli. The book, published in 1974, was donated by the Society in memory of Brad Mills. You can enjoy this richly illustrated book by ordering C-26.

Other books listed in the June TNA NEWS have been assigned numbers now and you may order B-27P "The Don Bailey Collection of the Maximilian Era" and S-25 "Maximilian and Carlota" by Gene Smith (autographed by the author).

We have had no response as yet to our appeal (s) for addtional slide sets. Check the treasurer's report and you can see we have funds to purchase more sets. Remember the TNA Founder's Reunion we all enjoyed in Houston during the 1974 TNA convention? There were quite a few donations received for the reunion so all funds over expenses went to the library for a slide set in honor of the founders. To date, we haven't been able to secure any Don't you have an interesting series with enough information for a nice commentary? Help us, please, to spend the library funds on library material. The sets make such good programs for clubs. We could use a set on tokens, medals, eagles on coins, ships on coins—just a few we threw out for bait. Let us hear from you.

MIRIAM GILMORE

THE UNCOMFORTABLE CHAIR

N.L.G.

EDITOR

The 200th birthday party for the U.S. is about to begin and numismatists can help celebrate the bicentennial. We have specially designed coins. There's a possibility of a two dollar bill and a gold coin and we can help it along with letters to our congressmen. Urge them to support Senate Bill =1712 and House Bills =7065 and =7235. As Virginia Culver, ANA president, said—"Time is a most important element in this campaign. Please write these letters today. Enlist the aid of your neighbors and friends. It is up to YOU!!" Now, get those letters in the mail.

In the June **TNA NEWS** on the contents page, we said we would have an announcement to make this month—but we have no news as yet to report. Keep looking though!

R. E. (Dick) Bonilla, TNA District 6 governor, will be "at home" July 26 to August 2 in San Salvador, El Salvador—the first time in 30 years to visit his native land. Hope you had a joyful reunion and a safe return.

TNA's new secretary, Molly Gerald, has been busy getting acquainted with her new job, but she still has time to pursue her favorites such as painting and drawing pictures, ceramics, sewing and reading. She and Gary (the other half of the Gerald family) collect proof type coins and uncirculated gold, all U.S. Molly has a specialty on the side, collecting coin jewelry. She and Gary have been very active in club circles in their area.

We are so grateful for the response we have been getting lately to our pleas for club news for the **TNA NEWS** and we enjoy and appreciate the little personal notes enclosed. We don't usually pass on any of the personal, but can't resist this one. One report told of a lengthy and boring discussion on a certain matter brought up before the club members and referred to it as "a long jaw job." There's humor in everything.

Governors—don't forget the Club Salute awards given at each TNA convention. Start talking it up at the next meeting you attend. Let's hear from all the TNA clubs and make it tough on the judges.

Baylor University in Waco has requested copies of the **TNA NEWS** prior to 1973. Thank you for the request, Baylor, and they are practically on their way.

Do you read the Classy Ads? One announced the birth of a bouncing baby boy in London. Weighed in at 7 pounds, 3 shillings.

Adios and thirty.....

TELL ADVERTISERS YOU SAW IT IN "TNA NEWS"

from the secretary

Texas Numismatic Association

Molly Gerald
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Welcome to members 3078-3096.

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J-3098 Bryan E. Buchanan, 1006 Poplar St., Mt. Carmel, Ill. 62863. U. S. Coins. Casey Noxon.

3099 (D-2) W. R. Hestland, 712 S. Ave B., Kermit, Tex. 79745 General. Clark Coursey

3100 (D-9) Thomas A. Holbun, 430 NIF Dr., Littlefield, Tex. 79339 General Gober Pitzer and James E. Hall.

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A-1698 Billy S. Tiller, 1004 Country Club Dr., Mission, Tex. 78572.

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Balance on hand as of May 31, 1975		$3,561.83
RECEIPTS:		
TNA News Ads	290.95	
Sale of copies of TNA News	3.50	
Sale of 1975 Convention Medals	3.75	
Balance from 1975 Convention	160.15	468.35
		$4,030.18
DISBURSEMENTS:		
TNA News Editor — June Travel allowance and May petty cash	115.21	
Dallas Coin Club—Convention expense	31.23	
Luke Coin Supply—Balance due on 1975 medals	75.00	
Banner Printing Company	537.00	
May issue, 1100 copies	424.00	
Postage	75.51	
Engraving	10.82	
Mailing Stencils	4.69	
State Sales Tax	21.93	
Life Membership Fund Savings Account	347.50	1,105.94
		$2,924.24

Balance on hand as of June 30, 1975	$2,924.24
Operating Funds — $1,584.08	
Encumbered Funds — $1,340.16	

Note: The following funds cannot be used for anything except the purposes for which they are encumbered. The above balance includes these funds except as noted below:

TNA Library Fund as of May 31, 1957	167.78
No receipts - no disbursements	0.00
Balance as of June 30, 1975	$167.78
Case fund balance as of June 30, 1975	$1,172.33
TNA News Continuance Fund Certificate of Deposit	$2,247.43
TNA Life Membership Savings Account	$347.50

HANKS' MEXICO BOOK RELEASED

"The Comprehensive Encyclopedia of Modern Mexico" by W. Larry Hanks of El Paso has been released to the public priced at $6.50 per copy.

Orders are being taken by Aztlan Coin Co., Inc., Box 12003, El Paso 79912 and dealer inquiries are invited.

A spokesman for Aztlan advised the TNA MEMORIAL LIBRARY that a copy would be forthcoming for the library as a courtesy.

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SEPTEMBER 13-14

NOLAN COUNTY COIN CLUB. Sweetwater, Wildcat Show, Coliseum Annex. **WRITE:** Club, Box 1506, Sweetwater 79556

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SEPTEMBER 13-14

BEAUMONT COIN CLUB, annual show, Ridgewood Motel. **BOURSE:** Carl Heartfield, 5030 Stardust, Beaumont 77706.

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SEPTEMBER 13-14

AMARILLO COIN CLUB Fall Show, Civic Center. **BOURSE:** Lloyd Colvin, 2515 Wolflin, Amarillo 79109.

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SEPTEMBER 13-14

LEA COUNTY COIN CLUB, semi-annual coin show, VFW Hall, Hobbs, N. Mex. **WRITE:** Neal Bassham, Sec., 2308 Charlcia, Hobbs, N. Mex. 88240.

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SEPTEMBER 13-14

ODESSA COIN CLUB, 15th annual Permian Basin Coin Show, Inn of the Golden West. **WRITE:** A. H. Ganze Jr., 3842 E. Everglade, Odessa 79762.

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SEPTEMBER 20-21

AUSTIN COIN CLUB, annual Money Mart, Stephen F. Austin Hotel. **WRITE:** Club, Box 1225, Austin 78767.

SEPTEMBER 26-28

UTAH NUMISMATIC SOCIETY 12th Utah State Coin Convention, Salt Palace, Salt Lake City, Utah. **BOURSE:** Alvin E. Rust, 311 S. Main St., Salt Lake City, Utah 84111.

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SEPTEMBER 28

PORT ISABEL COIN CLUB, annual show, Sea Island Motel, Padre Island. **WRITE:** Don Pruitt, Box 591, Port Isabel 78578.

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OCTOBER 4-5

FORT WORTH COIN CLUB, 14th annual coin show, Green Oaks Motor Inn, Interstate 20 West, Fort Worth. **WRITE:** Joe Neal, 4325 Donnelly, Ft. Worth 76107.

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OCTOBER 12

DOS PESOS COIN CLUB show, Hilton Inn, 100 Sandoval, Santa Fe, N. Mex. **WRITE:** Albert Savage, Club Pres., 358 Manhatten Loop, Los Alamos, N. Mex. 87544.

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OCTOBER 18-19

LIBERTY COIN CLUB, 14th annual show, Exposition Hall, Corpus Christi. **WRITE:** Club, Box 7001, Corpus Christi 78415.

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OCTOBER 25-26

LAFAYETTE COIN CLUB, 13th Cajun Carnival, Municipal Auditorium, Lafayette. **WRITE:** Club, Box 52334, Lafayette, La. 70501.

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TEXAS DISTRICT MEETINGS

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G. W. Somers
Governor

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Mr. Davison of the **Graham Coin & Stamp Club** announced that Jimmy Gilmore had returned to the area and would again be attending club meetings. After a short business session, a round table discussion was held.

At the previous meeting, members enjoyed a picnic supper at the Davison home. **—Mrs. Wm. Rust Sr., Sec.**

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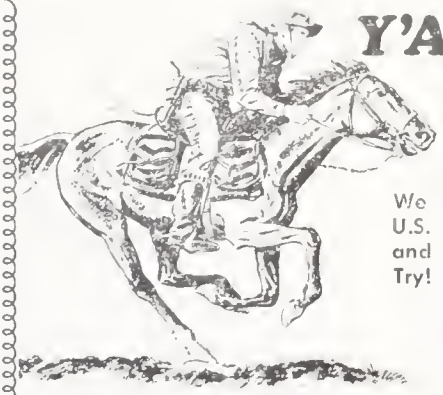

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DISTRICT II:

August H. Ganze Jr
Governor

Twenty five attended the first of two meetings of the **Odessa Coin Club** when the annual Permian Basin coin show was the principal subject of discussion. The show will be held September 13-14. Members were urged to distribute show announcements. James Pierson presented a program on the coins of Mexico complete with examples for exhibit.

At the second meeting of the month a slide program from the TNA MEMORIAL LIBRARY on "Canadian Commemorative Dollars" was the evening's feature. The slide presentation was followed by a swap and auction session. Twenty seven were present. **—August H. Ganze Jr., Gov. Disit. 2.**

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DISTRICT III:

Ellis Brooks
Governor

A progress report on the Wildcat Show was given at the recent meeting of **Nolan County Coin Club** in Sweetwater. The show is set for September 13-14 at the Coliseum Annex. The event will feature coins, stamps, guns, rocks, barbed wire, Indian artifacts, antiques, and hobbies of all kinds. Anyone wishing to reserve a booth, may contact the club, Box 1506, Sweetwater 79556. Norman Nations is chairman.

"U.S. Commemorative Half Dollars" from the TNA MEMORIAL LIBRARY was shown and an auction was held. The club met at the Texas Bank coffee room with 12 present. Prizes were won by Ben Monroe and Vadie Nations. **—Vadie Nations, Sec.**

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Ellis Brooks gave the program on coin errors at the June meeting of the **San Angelo Coin Club** at La Quinta Motor Inn. Brooks presented a taped program with four specific coin errors being mentioned—the 1955 double die Lincoln 1c, the 1937 3-legged Buffalo 5c, the 1942 over 1941 Mercury 10c, and the 1883 Liberty Head 5c without cents, some of which had been gold plated and passed as a gold piece.

A discussion was held on the September 6-7 coin show led by Weldon Surber, general chairman, and Brooks, bourse chairman. Bill Lee conducted an auction and prizes were won by Fred Clark and Gillie Pfluger. Twenty four members and two guests were present. **—Lucille Coleman, Sec.**

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DISTRICT IV:

Keith Johnson
Governor

A TNA MEMORIAL LIBRARY slide set on "Postage and Fractional Currency" was shown at the June meeting of the **Waco Coin Club.** Forty members met at T.P. & L. Center.

According to the club bullletin, one member was seeking to purchase an 1859 Indian Head cent for his collection and another wished to examin any Guatemalan coins available. **J. P. Jones, Sec.**

DISTRICT V:

Barney K. Welch
Governor

The **Dallas Coin Club** voted to sponsor the 1978 TNA convention and Club President George Johnson appointed a temporary committee to survey local facilities. Thos. C. Bain, Barney K. Welch, T. Homer Brooks, C. C. Andrews, Edward E. Slade Jr. and Johnson are committee members.

Slade presented an ANA slide program #39 augmented by interesting and entertaining supplementary material. David Nunn conducted the auction; Mrs. Molly Pincus won the attendance prize; and B. Gene Lobel was welcomed as a new member. **LCdr. C. C. Andrews, Sec.**

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The Texomaland Coin & Stamp Club's second mini show was held in June and TNA District Governor Barney Welch, accompanied by his wife and Cmdr. and Mrs. C. C. Andrews of Dallas, were present to join in the fun. Welch stated that he was especially interested in attending so that he could spread the word to other clubs.

Some of the members displayed rare coins and currency from their collections, and one displayed a case of small size relics and antiques of the area. Others exhibited numismatic items for sale or trade. The next mini show will be held September 19.

The club decided to hold its annual coin show on November 8-9 at the Grayson County Airport between Denison and Sherman. Don Jarvis was welcomed as a new member. **—Charles A. Wingo, TNA Rep.**

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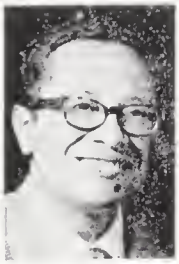

R. E. (Dick) Bonilla
Governor

The regular June meeting of the **Galveston County Coin Club** of Texas City was held at Nessler Center with Bill Cowley being welcomed as a new member.

Members were working on final plans for the Collectors' Show and Flea Market and it was announced that the La Marque Fireman's Auxiliary would manage the snack bar.

A club auction followed, conducted by Carl Nessler. Attendance prizes were awarded to Christine Richardson and Cliff Moorehead. **—Ruby Threlkeld, Sec.**

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A film by The Franklin Mint—"Art in Minting"—provided the program for the Fort Bend Coin Club at Rosenberg. **—R. E. Bonilla, Gov. Dist. 6.**

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Plans for the 20th anniversary dinner party to be held on September 14 at the San Jacinto Inn have been taking up the time of **Greater Houston Coin Club** members.

During the June meeting held at Southwestern Savings, members voted to send a special letter of appreciation to Royal Coins of Houston for their assistance in various club activities. Royal Coins also donated a $20 U.S. gold coin to be given away during the 1976 club show.

The club president, Mrs. Chris Johns, handed out copies of an appeal to write congressmen in Washington, D.C. stating their views on congressional actions taken concerning taxes, the school situation, military spending, coinage, etc. The list included names and addresses of each

district representative

Forty one attended the meeting. — **Bob Schel Sec. and Club Bulletin.**

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DISTRICT VII:

Ernest Price
Governor

The **Gateway Coin Club** of San Antonio, recently reorganized, is planning the year's program and requested a slide set listing from the TNA MEMORIAL LIBRARY —**Frank Galinda, Program Chrmn.**

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DISTRICT VIII:

Wayne H. Harris
Governor

David Burke provided the program for the first meeting of the month held by the **Corpus Christi Coin Club**. David spoke on the Charlotte mint and stated that it came into existence because the U.S. saw there was a profit to be made in the minting of gold coins. It was costly and risky to send gold to the Philadelphia mint from that area to be minted into coins. Prior to that time, there were private mints.

At the latter monthly meeting, two films were presented, one on the ANA convention of 1972 in New Orleans and the other, a Franklin Mint production entitled "Of Art and Minting." Narrated by the medal designers, the film showed the designing and engraving from the clay model to the finished product. Following was a numismatic quiz given by Lee Grossman. —**Club Bulletin.**

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Program for members of the **Liberty Coin Club** of Corpus Christi were announced to include a slide set furnished by Clay Stubblefield to the TNA MEMORIAL LIBRARY on the coins of the Netherlands, and two films from The Franklin Mint.

At one of the meetings, a discussion was held on the preservation of coins, particularly copper in BU condition

A report on the fall coin show was made and Wayne Harris was appointed general chairman. The show will be held at Exposition Hall on October 18-19 marking the 14th annual. — **Club Bulletin.**

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DISTRICA IX:

D. O. Joplin
Governor

Carl Anderson presented a slide set program on Greece at the June meeting of the **South Plains Coin Club** of Lubbock. Thirteen attended the meeting at First Federal Savings & Loan. Anderson was given a TNA Achievement certificate.

Carl Robinson asked that the club have certificates printed to present the news media for their assistance with club events. An auction was conducted by Jim Hall. —**D. O. Joplin, Gov. Dist. 9.**

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Gober Pitzer acted as secretary for the June meeting of **Levelland Coin Club** in the absence of the regular officer. Only three members were present, but the three voted to continue with the meetings.

Gober reported that he had taken 21 applications for new TNA members and also had two Roman coins through the TNA youth program. —

D. O. Joplin, Gov. Dist. 9.

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Twenty attended the June meeting of the **Lamb County Coin Club** of Littlefield when new officers were elected. Larry Sanderson will serve as president; Dr. O. R. Oyer, vice president; Mrs. Potter, secretary; Gus Clark, treasurer; and Gober Pitzer, historian. Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Holloway will be in charge of refreshments and Dr. Oyer and Mrs. Clark, special prizes.

"Numismatic Errors" was the name of the slide set from the TNA MEMORIAL LIBRARY that Tom Hilbourn showed for the program. Hilbourn was given a TNA Achievement award. —D. O. Joplin, Gov. Dist. 9.

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DISTRICT X:

A bulletin is now being issued by members of the **International Coin Club** of El Paso with Harry E. Johnson, Box 3116, El Paso 79931 as editor. It was stated that the editor would appreciate any news items from TNA members. The bulletin has been named "Dollar $ Peso."

At the weekly meetings, the attendance averaged 25, and in June it jumped to 40. An auction with 30 lots going at bargain prices and dealers offering discounts to club members has boosted the club membership. The club now has 79 members and wishes to add 50 more. Meetings are held at Carpenters Hall, 2800 E. Yandell in El Paso. —**John N. Berger, Gov. Dist 10.**

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DISTRICT XIV:

L. G. Davenport Jr.
Governor

Members discussed their museum project at the recent meeting of **Hidalgo Coin Club** held at Chisum's Rock & Hobby Shop in Pharr. Donations of early U.S. and Mexican coinage and currency have been given the past few years and exhibits were made up for the Hidalgo County Museum.

Miriam Gilmore had charge of the program and demonstrated a new small light to detect counterfeit currency. The paper that counterfeit paper money is printed on glows un-

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Robert C. Dedmon, Don Pruitt and Miriam Gilmore provided the monthly "show and tell" program at the Sunday afternoon meeting of the **Port Isabel Coin Club** held at City Hall.

A discussion was held on the upcoming coin show at the Sea Island Motel on South Padre Island September 28.

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DISTRICT XV:

Jerry A. Williams
Governor

Two programs provided the evening's entertainment at the recent meeting of the **Greater Port Arthur Coin Club.** Gary Gerald gave a talk on the St Gauden's $20 gold piece. He gave background information on the designer, Augustus Saint Gauden, and the president in office at the time, Theodore Roosevelt.

Mr. Gentil gave an amusing talk on paper money, which included magic tricks with a rope and a pair of water glasses. The program for the next meeting was to be given by Marvin Ashmore. Jerry Williams conducted the auction and prizes were won by Williams, Russell Trifico, Kenneth Covington and George May. **—Club Bulletin.**

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Lindsey Lee gave same "didja knows" on Biblical coins at a recent meeting of the **Beaumont Coin Club.** He gave comments on the money of the Old Testament period in silver and gold and the value in current money; and the New Testament period in copper and silver. Mr. Beckman presented a talk on the coins of the African continent. He had a display case of coins for members to view, and predicted a good return on the investment in coins of South Africa and the 15 states.

The educational value of collecting coins was touched on by Sid King and then talked on the 25 most popular foreign crowns. **—Club Bulletin.**

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NEIGHBOR CLUBS:

New officers have been elected for the **Dos Pesos Coin Club** of Santa Fe, N. M. and Albert Savage was chosen to serve as president. He will be assisted by Robert J. Montoya as vice president; Clara Stumpff, secretary and Joe Ortega, treasurer.

Club meetings are held the third Tuesday at St. John's United Methodist Church in Santa Fe. The annual coin show is set for October 12 at the Hilton Inn, 100 Sandoval. **—Albert Savage, Pres.**

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The 12th annual Utah State Coin Convention will be held September 26-28 at the Salt Palace in Salt Lake City, Utah. The Salt Palace is located at 1st South and West Temple.

Alvin E. Rust, 311 S. Main St., Salt Lake City 84111, is hourse chairman. **—Pat Jividen, Sec.**

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Members of the **Lafayette, La. Coin Club** are planning the 13th annual Cajun Carnival for October 25-26 in the ballroom at Municipal Auditorium in Lafayette.

Prizes will be awarded and there will be numismatic exhibits. The show is designed to introduce and encourage coin collecting as a hobby. For further information write the club, Box 52334, Lafayette, La. 70501.

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The 13th annual coin show hosted by **Southwest Louisiana Coin Club** was scheduled for August 2-3 at the Civic Center in the Jean Lafitte Room in Downtown Lake Charles, La. Collectors from Louisiana and

Texas were to be present with exhibits of U.S. and foreign coins ranging from ancient to modern.

A special attraction was to be an exhibit of American gold coins and currency from the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta. Committees were Mike Fuijenz, general chairman; Larry Shaffner, bourse; and Howard Black, exhibits.

Houston Club Members Prepare BC Program

The Greater Houston Coin Club has prepared, under the direction of Mrs. Chris Johns, president, a 30 minute photographic slide and commentary program for presentation to schools, churches, civic and service groups as its part in the nation's bicentennial celebration. Compiled and edited by Mrs. Johns and Colin Tuttle, vice president, the program has been previewed by the club members and given club approval. Credit is given to the TNA MEMORIAL LIBRARY for its permission to reproduce certain slides in its collection.

The Houston American Revolution Bi-Centennial Commission has entered the program on its list of events and three area school districts have been contacted for bookings. Club members will present the slide program to groups as the schedulings are made.

For the use of other clubs desiring to prepare a bicentennial presentation, Greater Houston is proud to accomodate them with permission to duplicate the program. Copies are available with commentary and slide listing at $2 per copy sent postpaid. The program is entitled "Two Hundred Years of American Coinage." Write to Mrs. Johns, Box 90156, Houston 77090.

Jackson Exhibits

Virgil G. Jackson of Beaver Dam, Wisc., wellknown TNA member who visits Texas often, exhibited U.S. currency errors at the 11th annual coin show of the Wisconsin Valley Coin Club of Wausau, Wisc.

Jackson has taken 14 best in show awards in the past and was entered in the WVCC show as non-competitive. The exhibit showed 113 pieces of rare and unusual printing errors in several denominations.

BC Red Book Out

"A Guide Book of United States Coins" by R. S. Yeoman, better known as the Red Book, was released in late June and was named the Bicentennial edition—1976.

The guide contains background data and values from Colonial issues to Territorial gold coins and covers the period from 1616 to 1976. Collectors will be glad to note that the new book has a strong sewn binding which should make for longer usage before the pages begin to come loose as in the past. The cover features an American eagle with a 13 star bicentennial banner.

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The Greater Houston Coin Club is celebrating its 20th anniversary on September 14 and has selected the historic San Jacinto Inn as the site for a dinner party.

Situated 20 miles east of Houston, the picturesque Inn is renowned for its outstanding seafood. The area around it is steeped in local history as it was there that Gen. Sam Houston's troops routed Santa Anna's army in 1836 to assure Texas independence from Mexico.

The program for the event will include presentation of the ANA past president medals to the club's former presidents or their widows. A special program will be printed for the occasion, and TNA, ANA, and numismatic press, as well as local dignataries, will be invited to participate. Charter members will be honored and numismatic items will be awarded as attendance prizes.

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